

We are a certified organic fruit and vegetable juice producer in Switzerland. We have obtained the Knospe level of certification on our products. Since we hold these certifications do we need to go through the whole U.S. certification process or is there a quicker way to get certified? The products will be manufactured in Switzerland and shipped to the U.S. ready for sale.

Yes, you must still get certified to the NOP. In order to sell product as organic in the United States, it must be produced, handled, and processed according to the National Organic Program (NOP) regulations. Not only does the ingredient need to be certified to NOP standards by a USDA-accredited certifying agent, the operation must also meet the NOP standards and be certified by a USDA-accredited certifying agent. You may access the regulations and the list of certifying agents at the NOP website at www.ams.usda.gov/nop.

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